

Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

Federal CIO Authorization Act of 2018: H.R. 6901, amended, to amend chapter 36 of title 44, United States Code, to make certain changes relating to electronic Government services. **Pages H9723–25**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on pages H9699–H9700 and H9703.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H9729–30 and H9730. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Committee Meetings

U.S. POLICY TOWARD SYRIA (PART II)

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “U.S. Policy Toward Syria (Part II)”. Testimony was heard from James F. Jeffrey, Special Representative for Syria Engagement, Department of State; and Robert Jenkins, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, U.S. Agency for International Development.

EVALUATING FEDERAL DISASTER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY EFFORTS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Evaluating Federal Disaster Response and Recovery Efforts”. Testimony was heard from William B. Long, Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency; Major General Scott A. Spellmon, Deputy Commanding General for Civil and Emergency Operations, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and a public witness.

REVIEW OF RECENT GAO REPORTS ON ICEBREAKER ACQUISITION AND THE NEED FOR A NATIONAL MARITIME STRATEGY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing entitled “Review of Recent GAO Reports on Icebreaker Acquisition and the Need for a National Maritime Strategy”. Testimony was heard from Rear Admiral Michael J. Haycock, Assistant Commandant for Acquisition and Chief Acquisition Officer, U.S. Coast Guard; Rear Admiral

Mark H. Buzby, U.S. Navy (Ret.), Administrator, Maritime Administration; Marie A. Mak, Director of Acquisition and Sourcing Management, Government Accountability Office; Andrew Von Ah, Director of Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; and Ronald O'Rourke, Specialist in Naval Affairs, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress.

VA'S DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICY INITIATIVES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing entitled “VA's Development and Implementation of Policy Initiatives”. Testimony was heard from Paul R. Lawrence, Under Secretary for Benefits, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Michael J. Missal, Inspector General, Office of Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS PROCESS REFORM

Joint Select Committee on Budget and Appropriations Process Reform: Committee concluded a markup of the Committee's report, recommendations, and legislative language. The bill and accompanying report were not agreed to.

COMPUTATIONAL PROPAGANDA

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission received a briefing on how to defeat computational propaganda from Matt Chessen, Acting Deputy Science and Technology Advisor to the Secretary of State; and Karen Kornbluh, German Marshall Fund of the United States, and Nina Jankowicz, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars Kennan Institute, both of Washington, D.C.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2018

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

3 p.m., Monday, December 3

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Bernard L. McNamee, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 5:30 p.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, November 30

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Complete consideration of House Amendment to the Senate Amendment to H.R. 88—Retirement, Savings, and Other Tax Relief Act and the Taxpayer First Act.

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